

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An image printing system comprising:
 - an image editing device that carries out editing and printing of images;
 - a link processing device that allows obtaining a desired image by linking to a WWW server that provides the image to be edited and printed in said image editing device;
 - a record search device that tabulates records of editing and printing processing that has been carried out using said image editing device on the images obtained from said ~~WWW server; and~~ server, said records including at least one of a first data that indicates how many times each user has accessed a certain type of image and a second data that indicates how many times the image was edited and printed; and
 - a link destination selection device that selects link destinations in said link processing device based on the tabulation results of said record search device and reports this to said link processing device; and wherein
 - said link processing device sets the link destinations based on the link destinations reported from said link destination selection device.
2. (Currently Amended) An image processing method comprising:
 - an image editing step of carrying out editing and printing of an image;
 - a link processing step of obtaining a desired image by linking to a WWW server that provides the image to be edited and printed in the said image editing step;
 - a record step of tabulating the records of editing and printing processing that has been carried out by using said image editing device on the image obtained from said ~~WWW server;~~ server, said records including at least one of a first data that indicates how

many times each user has accessed a certain type of image and a second data that indicates how many times the image was edited and printed;

a step of selecting link destinations in said link processing step based on the tabulation results of said record search step; and

a step of setting the link destinations in the link processing step based on these selected link destinations.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) An image printing system according to claim 1 wherein said record search device tabulates as records the users that obtained images from said WWW server, the accessed images, and the access counts, and using as a key the users who have accessed a plurality of said accessed images, search WWW servers that provide a plurality of said accessed images that have an access count higher than a predetermined value. said records include said first data, and wherein said record search device searches accessed images which have been accessed by a plurality of users and selects images from said accessed images based on the access counts corresponding to said accessed images respectively.

5. (Currently Amended) An image printing system according to claim 4 wherein said record search device tabulates as records the dates and times that images were obtained from said WWW server, and using as a key the users who obtained a plurality of said accessed images on dates and times falling within a predetermined range, searches a plurality of said accessed images that have an access count higher than a predetermined value and searches WWW servers that provide a plurality of said accessed images. said records further includes a third data that indicates the dates and times that images were obtained from said WWW server, and wherein said record search device searches accessed images which have been accessed by a plurality of users within a predetermined range of dates and times and

selects images from said accessed images based on the access counts corresponding to said accessed images respectively.

6. (Currently Amended) An image printing system according to claim 5 that further comprises a memory device that stores attribute data of said users, ~~and said record search device, using as a key said attribute data, searches a plurality of said accessed images that have an access count higher than a predetermined value and searches WWW servers providing a plurality of said accessed images and wherein said record search device searches~~ accessed images which have been accessed by a plurality of users belonging to a predetermined attribute within a predetermined range of dates and times and selects images from said accessed images based on the access counts corresponding to said accessed images respectively.

7. (Currently Amended) An image printing system according to claim 1 wherein ~~said record search device tabulates as a record the users who have obtained images from said WWW servers, the edited and printed images that were edited and printed by using said image editing device, and the edit and print count, and using as a key the users who printed and edited a plurality of said edited and printed images, searches a plurality of said edited and printed images having an edit and print count greater than a certain value and searches WWW servers that provide the plurality of said edited and printed images.~~ said records include said second data, and wherein said record search device searches edited and printed images which have been edited and printed by a plurality of users and selects images from said edited and printed images based on the edit and print counts corresponding to said edited and printed images respectively.

8. (Currently Amended) An image printing system according to claim 7 wherein ~~said record search device tabulates as records the dates and times that editing and printing processing was carried out by using said image printing device, and using as a key the users~~

who edited and printed a plurality of said edited and printed images on dates and times falling within a predetermined range, searches WWW servers that provide a plurality of said edited and printed images having an edit and print count that is greater than a predetermined value, said records further includes a fourth data that indicates the dates and times that editing and printing processing was carried out by using said image printing device, and wherein said record search device searches edited and printed images which have been edited and printed by a plurality of users within a predetermined range of dates and times and selects images from said edited and printed images based on the edit and print counts corresponding to said edited and printed images respectively.

9. (Currently Amended) An image printing system according to claim 8 that further comprises a memory device that stores the attribute data of said users, and wherein said record search device, using as a key said attribute data, searches a plurality of said edited and printed images having an edit and print count that is greater than a predetermined value and searches WWW servers that provide a plurality of said edited and printed images, and wherein said record search device searches edited and printed images which have been edited and printed by a plurality of users belonging to a predetermined attribute within a predetermined range of dates and times and selects images from said edited and printed images based on the edit and print counts corresponding to said edited and printed images respectively.